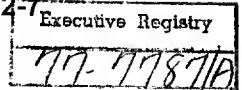


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Washington, D.C. 20505

26 JUL 1977

Honorable Griffin B. Bell
Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Griffin:

By letter of 1 June 1977, you requested that this Agency provide you a copy of each document produced in the last five years which contains a significant analysis specifically focused on competition in energy markets. These documents were requested to support a Department of Justice effort to formulate a statement of antitrust policy on the energy sector of the economy.

The Agency has published no documents which would appear to meet the Department's interests in this regard. While much of our energy analysis and reporting concerns OPEC operations, and so might indirectly reflect upon competition in energy markets, we have not directly or indirectly analyzed the competitive practices of U.S. energy firms.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Stansfield Turner

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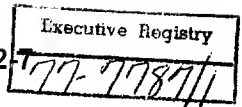
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Acting Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Anthony A. Lapham
General Counsel

SUBJECT : Request for Assistance from the Attorney General

1. Action Requested: Recommend you sign and transmit the attached letter to the Attorney General.

2. Background: The Attorney General has requested that the Agency provide the Department of Justice with all documents we have produced in the last five years which contain a significant analysis specifically focused on competition in energy markets. The documents are requested to support an effort by the Department to formulate a statement of antitrust policy on the energy sector of the economy. The Attorney General's letter is attached.

3. In my opinion, there would be no legal objection to supplying the requested documents.

4. However, the Directorate of Intelligence indicates that our files contain no documents which are considered by them to meet this definition.

5. The Deputy Director for Intelligence concurs in this proposed response.



Anthony A. Lapham

Attachments

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